

Holy Week Services

Monday to Wednesday*

8:30 AM – Morning Prayer

5:00 PM -- Holy Eucharist with the reading of the Passion

***Tuesday in Holy Week**

10:00 AM – The Holy Eucharist at Camden Terrace

7:00 PM – Choral Evensong at St. Philip's

Maundy Thursday

8:30 AM – Morning Prayer

10:00 AM – The Holy Eucharist

5:00 PM – Evening Prayer

7:00 PM – The Holy Eucharist with the Stripping of the Altar

9:00 PM – The Vigil begins

Good Friday

9:15 AM -- The Way of the Cross leaves from City Hall

10:00 AM -- The Good Friday Liturgy

5:00 PM -- Evening Prayer

Holy Saturday

8:30 AM -- Morning Prayer and Ante Communion

10:30 AM -- The Resurrection Garden Craft and Devotion for
All Ages at St. James

5:00 PM – Evening Prayer

8:00 PM – The Easter Vigil at St. Andrew's

Easter Day

8:00 AM – Holy Eucharist

9:00 AM - Easter Breakfast begins in the Hall

9:15 AM – Morning Prayer

10:00 AM -- Holy Eucharist

5:00 PM -- Evening Prayer

The First Sunday After Easter

8:00 AM -- Holy Eucharist

9:15 AM – Morning Prayer

10:00 AM – Holy Eucharist

12:30 PM - Moncton Anglicans Pot-Luck (Moncton Garrison)

5:00 PM – Evening Prayer

St. George's Anglican Church

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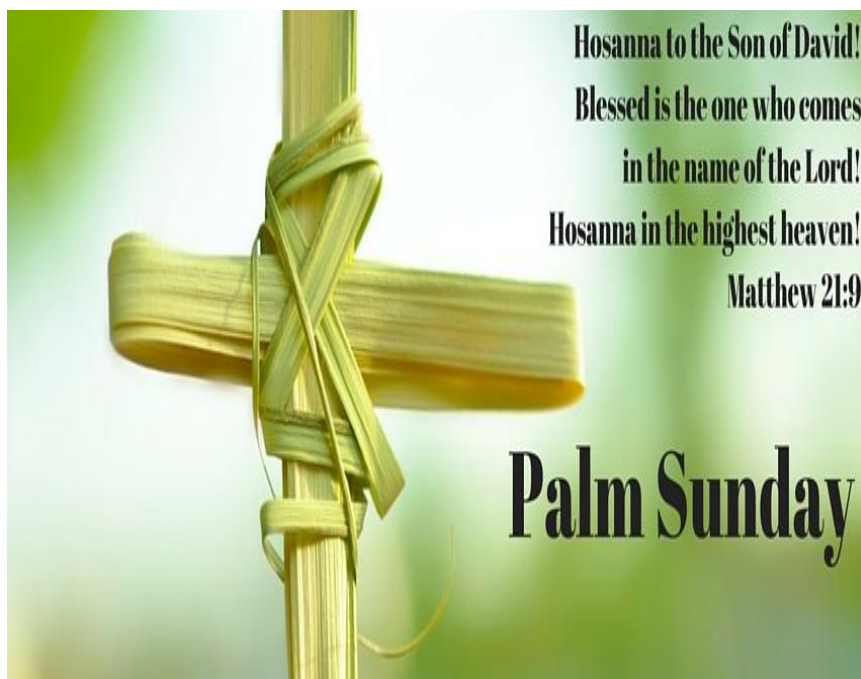
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Jesus Christ the same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

The Second Sunday in Passiontide Commonly called

PALM SUNDAY – April 2, 2023



Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes

in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Matthew 21:9

Palm Sunday

Parish Prayer Chain: To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. please the Office. After Office Hours, please contact Cathie @ 855-7969 or cdingwell@gmail.com

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8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

The Blessing and Distribution of the Palms

Introit Psalm 118 vs.19-29 p. 484

Collect, Epistle p. 150

Gradual Psalm 22 vs. 12-21 p. 355

Gospel (in parts)

9:15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER

Psalm 23, 24 p. 356

First Lesson: Exodus 11 (Pew Bible page 61)

Second Lesson: Matthew 26 (Pew Bible page 796)

10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

The Solemn Procession of Palms in Honor of Christ the King

The Distribution and Blessing of the Palms (during Hymn)

Hymn: **619** Palms of Glory (Culbach)

The Reading of the Gospel p. 96

The Procession with Blessed Palms

V/ Let us go forth in peace.

R/ In the Name of the Lord. Amen

Hymn: **130** - All Glory, Laud and Honor (St. Theodulph)

Station at the Rood Screen

V / When the people heard that Jesus was coming to
Jerusalem, they went forth to meet him.

R/ With branches of palms: Hosanna, they cried, in the
highest.

V/ The Lord be with you.

R/ And with thy spirit

Let us pray.

*O Lord Jesu Christ, Our King and Redeemer, to whose honor we
have sung our solemn praises; mercifully grant; that wherever these
branches are carried, the grace of thy benediction may descend, and,
all the wickedness and craft of the devil being done away, thy right
hand may protect those whom Thou hast redeemed: who livest and
reignst world without end.*

Summary of the Law p. 69

Collect and the Epistle p. 150

Gradual Psalm 22 vs.12-21 p. 355

Gospel (In parts)	
The Creed	p. 71
The Homily	
Offertory Hymn: 767 (Beneath the Cross)	
Confession, Absolution	p. 78
Thanksgiving & Consecration	p. 78
“Agnus Dei”	
Hymns during Communion: 127 (Batty) 523 (Arnsberg)	
The Lord’s Prayer and Blessing	
Exhortation	p. 90
Closing Hymn: 131 Ride On! (Winchester New)	

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm 118	p. 483
First Lesson: Isaiah 52: 13–53 end	(Pew Bible page 602)
Second Lesson: Luke 19: 29-end	(Pew Bible page 845)

*The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week to the Glory of God and in
Loving Memory of Donald Hanright, Baby Annabelle,
Charles Spinney*

*“Let us remember before God the faithful departed.”
Jessie Wilsom*

After Church today, in the Ladies’ Parlour, you are invited to watch,
‘**The Passion of the Christ**’, the Mel Gibson film.

Don’t forget next Sunday– After the recessional hymn the children
are invited to hunt for the goodies left behind by everyone’s favorite
rabbit.


Next Sunday, on **Easter Day**, there will be an opportunity to **renew
your Baptismal vows** during the Service.

Confirmation: Youth and adults interested in Confirmation are
asked to please **speak to the clergy**. Classes are being planned to
begin at the beginning of May.

*"And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and
became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore
God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name, which is
above every name."*
Philippians 2. 8,9

The Passion Of Our Lord Jesus Christ

According to Saint Matthew

Note: The parts read by the Narrator (N) are in ordinary type: the words of our Lord,  read by another voice are in italics: the words of others, read by the whole congregation **C are in bold face type.**

N. When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus, to put him to death. And when they had bound him, they led him away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor. Then Judas who had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying,

C. I have sinned, in that I have betrayed the innocent blood.

N. And they said,

C. What is that to us? See thou to that.

N. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said,


C. It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.

N. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in. Wherefore that field was called, the field of blood, unto this day. (Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value, and gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.)

N. And Jesus stood before the governor; and the governor asked him, saying,

C. Art thou the King of the Jews?

N. And Jesus said unto him,

 *Thou sayest.*

N. And when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Then saith Pilate unto him,

C. Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee?

N. And he gave them no answer, not even a single charge, insomuch that the governor marveled greatly. Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would. And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas. Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate

said unto them,

C. Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas or Jesus which is called the Christ?

N. For he knew that for envy they had delivered him. And while he was sitting on the judgment-seat, his wife sent to him, saying,

C. Have nothing to do with that just man, for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

N. But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governor answered and said unto them,

C. Which of the two will ye that I release unto you?

N. They said,

C. Barabbas.

N. Pilate saith unto them,

C. What shall I do then with Jesus which is called the Christ?

N. They all say unto him,

C. Let him be crucified.

N. And the governor said,

C. Why, what evil hath he done?

N. But they cried out the more, saying,

C. Let him be crucified.

N. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that the tumult increased, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying;

C. I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.

N. Then answered all of the people, and said,

C. His blood be on us, and on our children.

N. Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

N. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns they put it upon his head. And a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying,

C. Hail, King of the Jews.

N. And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

N. And as they came out they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; him they compelled to bear his cross. And when they were

come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, they gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots. And sitting down they watched him there; and set up over his head his accusation written, **THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS**. Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads, and saying,

C. Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself: if thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.

N. Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said,

C. He saved others, himself he cannot save: if he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.

N. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying,

✠ *Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?*

N. That is to say,

✠ *My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?*

N. Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said,

C. This man calleth for Elijah.

N. And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said,

C. Let be, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.

N. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, gave up the spirit. And behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent, and the graves were opened, and many bodies of saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying,

C. Truly, this was the son of God.

Maundy Thursday Watch -It is our custom to keep vigil in the Chapel from 9:00 p.m. on Maundy Thursday until 7:00 a.m. on Good Friday, remembering how Jesus asked His disciples, “*Could you not watch with Me one hour?*” If you can help, please sign the sheet in the vestibule to indicate the time you can keep watch.

Good Friday - Before the 10am Service, April 7th, the Way of the Cross will leave from City Hall and proceed to St. George’s. at 9:15am. (Volunteers needed both adults and children to carry the cross.)

If you are interested in **singing in the Choir for Good Friday**, please speak to **Toto (at the organ)** or to one of the **Clergy**. We need some help, please!

Wednesday evening Bible Study resumes at St. James’ Church, in two weeks, on **April 19th** at 6:30 PM.

Anglicans of Greater Moncton are invited to gather on **Sunday, April 16th** to further discuss/clarify the proposal of forming one parish; share what is unique about each of our Congregations; and discuss ideas on community partnerships that could support our church building costs. The meeting will begin with a **pot-luck lunch at 12:30pm** at the Moncton Garrison.

A continental-style breakfast is being planned on **Easter Sunday**, from **9:10am to 9:50am** - a great opportunity to break our Lenten fast together!

A **Benefit Concert for St. George’s Breakfast Program** and Community Meals is scheduled for Tuesday, **April 25th at 7:30pm**. A 30-voice choir from Oxford County, Ontario, has graciously offered to present the concert at St. George’s. If you would be available to assist in providing **supper on April 25th** or offer someone a **bed for the night**, please contact the Church Office. More details to follow – let’s spread the word!

Capt. The Rev. Deacon Nicholas Saulnier’s Ordination to the Priesthood is scheduled for Sunday, **April 30th** at 4pm at Christ Church Cathedral in Fredericton.

Rector's Corner

One of today's hymns during the administration of the Holy Communion is "Sweet the Moments Rich in Blessing". It was written by Walter Shirley after his brother was hanged for murder. Here's the back story:

Walter Shirley was born on September 23, 1725, at Staunton Harold in Leicestershire, England. He was the fourth son of his parents, and a cousin to Selina Hastings, the Countess of Huntingdon, a prominent figure in the religious revival of the 18th century. She helped finance and guide early Methodism and was the first principal of Trevecca College, Wales, established in 1768 to train Methodist ministers. With the construction of 64 chapels in England and Wales, plus mission work in colonial America, she is estimated to have spent over £100,000 on these activities, a huge sum of money at that time.

Anyway, Walter graduated with a B.A. in 1746 from Oxford University, and, eventually was ordained a Priest. After preaching with great success in England, he became the Minister of Loughrea, County Galway, Ireland. He continued there for many years but he was also a close friend of George Whitefield and John and Charles Wesley, often preaching in their chapels. Shirley's views and preaching often brought him into conflict with his bishop and fellow clergy. The thing is, these men yearned for the Church of England to awaken to the opportunities all around it for sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ. They were determined; convicted; and unwilling to conform to the conventions of their day. The Wesleys formed 'The Holy Club' to encourage each other in the life of prayer through frequent attendance at the Holy Communion and daily Bible study.

A polar opposite to Walter Shirley was his brother, the Earl of Ferrars. One historian called him "a man of evil habits". Without a doubt, he had a violent temper and one day, during a disagreement, he murdered one of his long-time servants. At once, he was sent to jail; and Walter, "though mortified by the terrible disgrace which the crime brought upon his family, journeyed to his brother's prison and stayed near him during the distressing weeks that followed. His brother was tried, convicted, and sentenced to be hanged at Tyburn. After the execution, Walter Shirley, worn out by his long vigil and humiliated in spirit, returned to his church, finding comfort only in the cross of Jesus Christ". (from Hymnstudiesblog)

It is hard to imagine how down and defeated Walter Shirley must have felt. In the midst of his crisis, he discovered a hymn, “O How Happy Are the Moments,” (by James Allen) to which he related his emotions. As Shirley reflected on Allen’s hymn, he began to revise it, making it more and more his own. Eventually, he published it in 1770.

The words are beautiful and reach beyond Walter Shirley’s own life and experience. They may speak to each one of us if we let them:

Daily Bible Readings		
<i>A modified schedule from the Prayer Book’s Table of Lessons</i>		
Sunday	Jeremiah 43	I Timothy 3
Monday	Jeremiah 44:1-14	I Timothy 4
Tuesday	Jeremiah 44:15-end	I Timothy 5
Wednesday	Numbers 6	I Timothy 6
Thursday	Numbers 9:15-end & 10:29-end	2 Timothy 1
Friday	Numbers 11:10-33	2 Timothy 2
Saturday	Numbers 12	2 Timothy 3

A copy of **A Simple Method of Meditation** is on the table in the Entry for your consideration. This is a way to reflect on God’s Word, just as Gospel-based Discipleship is, of keeping our minds focused on the Lord and desiring His truth and glory in all things. Hope it is helpful.

Riversong, Greater Moncton’s a cappella women’s ensemble, is excited to be back singing together and invites you to their concert, **Spring Mix on Sunday, April 23rd at 3 pm** at Mount Royal United Church, 106 Mount Royal Blvd. Tickets are \$15 (free for children under 12) and are available at Cover to Cover Books, Pinewood Road in Riverview, from Riversong members: Helen Staples or Carolyn Keirstead, or at the door. For more information visit facebook.com/Riversong NB.



St. George’s Church is a downtown spiritual center where traditional Anglican liturgy, parishioners and the needs of our community are valued.